



## BOBSLEIGH – Athlete Pathways

### NEW ATHLETES:

In all instances – the athlete must attend the annual athletes testing event. Licenses will only be issued to athletes who have attended the testing event and training camp and is ultimately selected to the national team in either the youth, development, or elite categories.

The training camp incorporates orientations, workshops, training sessions, testing sessions and presentations etc.

Prospective athletes are encouraged to prepare to test to Minimum Physical Standards at the annual testing event.

New athletes who demonstrate ‘top of class’ ability on the physical standards at the end of the training camp then move to the Development Program

### DEVELOPMENT ATHLETES:

Development Athlete Events include IBSF Development Training Weeks, IBSF Driver Development Camps, IBSF North Americas Cup Races, IBSF European Cup Races.

Development Athletes are expected to exceed the Minimum Physical Standards.

Development Athlete DRIVERS are required to attend a IBSF Driver Development Camps in addition to 2x IBSF Development Training Weeks or approved equivalent.

Development Athletes DRIVERS are required to complete a minimum of 100 runs (combined monobob, 2m, 4m) across 3 tracks across 2 seasons, and to compete in a minimum of 6 North America Cups or Europa Cup races.

Development Athletes DRIVERS are required to show a proficiency and ability to drive a track in a safe, confident, competitive and professional manner. Development Athletes BRAKEMEN/CREWMEN are required to complete 50 runs minimum, across 3 tracks minimum, across 2 seasons maximum.

### ELITE ATHLETES:

Elite Athletes/Teams are required to participate in the annual testing event, the annual training camp, and the annual national push championships.

Elite Athletes/Teams by definition are expected to test beyond the Minimum Physical Standards.

Transition from Sub Elite Level (NAC/EC) to Elite Level (WC, WCH, OLY):

For each of the 2man, 4man or Women's Bobsleigh Events – across a 2 season period, teams must: In a field of less than 6 sleds Finish in the top 3 on 3 occasions.

In a field of 6 sleds or more Finish in the top 3 on one occasion and within the top 6 on three additional occasions.

AND/OR

Have earned a WC, WCH or OLY spot based on the previous or current season performance

FUNDING:

Athletes will be funded based on the availability of resources within the JBSF with priority funding going to the best performing athletes based on IBSF ranking and head to head competition